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The timely submission under 37 CFR 1.129(a) filed on February 10, 2012 is not fully responsive to the prior Office action because Applicant has amended the originally filed claims 2-6, 8, 9, 11, 13, 14, 16-19, 21-22, 24, 31, and 73-79, to a patentably distinct method of use. The original claims that have been examined on the merits are directed to a product, a textured masked particle. The amended claims are directed to a patentably distinct invention: a method of administering an active ingredient, said method comprising chewing an oral dosage from comprising a texture masked particle. Applicant has already received an action on the merits for the originally presented invention; and this invention has been constructively elected by original presentation for prosecution on the merits. Applicant is requested to cancel newly amended claims 2-6, 8, 9, 11, 13, 14, 16-19, 21-22, 24, 31, and 73-79 and reinstate the originally filed claims 2-6, 8, 9, 11, 13, 14, 16-19, 21-22, 24, 31, and 73-79.

Since the submission appears to be a bona fide attempt to provide a complete reply to the prior Office action, applicant is given a shortened statutory period of ONE MONTH or THIRTY DAYS from the mailing date of this letter, whichever is longer, to submit a complete reply. This shortened statutory period supersedes the time period set in the prior Office action. This time period may be extended pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a). If a notice of appeal and the fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(e) were filed prior to or with the payment of the fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(r), the payment of the fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(r) by applicant is construed as a request to dismiss the appeal and to continue prosecution under 37 CFR 1.129(a). The appeal stands dismissed.

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